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Appl. No.: 10/825,491

Amdt. Dated January 16, 2007

Response to Office Action Mailed November 16, 2006

REMARKS:

Applicant appreciates the time and care the examiner has taken in examining the application. In the amendments above, each of the pending claims has been amended to set forth the step of displaying at least one of a width of an ear side, a range of an ear side, a width of a nose side, and a range of a nose side of the chamfering on a display means. The amendment is supported in the original specification at, *inter alia*, p. 24 line 27 to p. 25 line 7, and Fig. 11. The claimed method step of displaying on a display means at least one of a width of an ear side, a range of an ear side, a width of a nose side, and a range of a nose side of the chamfering is neither taught nor suggested in the cited reference Japanese Patent App. Pub. No. 2002-126985, and the amended claims specify more clearly the distinction of the claimed invention over the disclosure of this reference. While the reference discloses display of the trace of the chamfering, the reference does not disclose or suggest display of the widths and ranges as set forth above. The step of displaying on a display means at least one of a width of an ear side, a range of an ear side, a width of a nose side, and a range of a nose side helps accomplish the specific improvements in the processing of chamfering of lenses as detailed in the specification at p. 39.

Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims in view of the distinctions in the amended claims over the cited prior art, which neither teaches nor suggests such features.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for prompt allowance and that all of the objections, rejections and requirements raised in the Office action have been met. Early, favorable treatment of this application is requested.

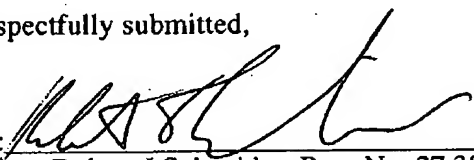
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The examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned with any questions or comments so that efforts may be made to resolve any remaining issues.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with this communication, including fees for any necessary extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for filling this communication, which extension is hereby requested, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305 of Chapman and Cutler LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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